Not Seasonally Adjusted

Exhibit 2b. U.S. Imports For Consumption of Stainless Steel Products

Quantity in metric tons/value In thousands of dollars. Details may not equal totals due to rounding.

	October 2004 Cumulative To Date - Final		October 2003 Cumulative To Date - Final	
Commodity Grouping	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Total Selected Commodities	732,715	1,989,908	611,869	1,234,929
Ingots And Steel For Castings	5,299	10,285	25,892	33,647
Blooms, Billets And Slabs	132,686	288,394	121,328	176,187
Wire Rods	29,179	69,430	26,159	42,822
Structural Shapes Heavy	2,469	8,240	1,475	4,522
Plates Cut Lengths	25,206	62,689	19,893	36,836
Plates In Coils	27,402	75,083	19,487	33,691
Bars - Hot Rolled	16,656	50,031	11,114	22,488
Bars - Light Shaped	11,150	29,559	7,539	16,211
Bars - Cold Finished	49,218	147,688	44,668	101,376
Stainless Pipe & Tubing	91,036	385,409	69,972	248,449
Wire Drawn	31,370	116,125	25,689	78,966
Sheets Hot Rolled	9,017	19,191	10,813	14,572
Sheets Cold Rolled	268,895	617,537	196,317	331,763
Strip - Hot Rolled	1,432	3,568	276	661
Strip - Cold Rolled	31,701	106,678	31,248	92,738

NOTE: See the cover report specifically explaining the current month's preliminary steel imports trade data or www.census.gov/ foreign-trade/Press-Release/steel_index.html.